



# Forgetful Zombie



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INT. KINGS CROSS STATION - AFTERNOON

Intelligent doctor MS ABBEY BRIDLEY is arguing with sweet police officer SIR JOSEPH KNIGHT. ABBEY tries to hug JOSEPH but he shakes her off.

ABBEY

Please Joseph, don't leave me.

JOSEPH

I'm sorry Abbey, but I'm looking for somebody a bit more brave. Somebody who faces her fears head on, instead of running away.

ABBEY

I am such a person!

JOSEPH frowns.

JOSEPH

I'm sorry, Abbey. I just don't feel excited by this relationship anymore.

JOSEPH leaves.

ABBEY sits down, looking defeated.

Moments later, energetic private detective MR GRAHAM TRESPCOTHIK barges in looking flustered.

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ABBEY

Goodness, Graham! Is everything okay?

GRAHAM

I'm afraid not.

ABBEY

What is it? Don't keep me in suspense...

GRAHAM

It's ... a zombie ... I saw an evil zombie destroy a bunch of swimmers!

ABBEY

Defenseless swimmers?

GRAHAM

Yes, defenseless swimmers!

ABBEY

Bloomin' heck, Graham! We've got to do something.

GRAHAM

I agree, but I wouldn't know where to start.

ABBEY

You can start by telling me where this happened.

GRAHAM

I was...

GRAHAM fans himself and begins to wheeze.

ABBEY

Focus Graham, focus! Where did it happen?

GRAHAM

Hamstead Heath! That's right - Hamstead Heath!

ABBEY springs up and begins to run

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ABBEY rushes along the s  
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INT. HAMSTEAD HEATH - SHORTLY AFTER

HELEN WU a forgetful zombie terrorises two swimmers.

ABBEY, closely followed by GRAHAM, rushes towards HELEN, but suddenly stops in her tracks.

GRAHAM

What is it? What's the matter?

ABBEY

That's not just any old zombie, that's Helen Wu!

GRAHAM

Who's Helen Wu?

ABBEY

Who's Helen Wu? Who's Helen Wu? Only the most forgetful zombie in the universe!

GRAHAM

Blinkin' knickers, Abbey! We're going to need some help if we're going to stop the most forgetful zombie in the universe!

ABBEY

You can say that again.

GRAHAM

Blinkin' knickers, Abbey! We're going to need some help if we're going to stop the most forgetful zombie in the universe!

ABBEY

I'm going to need pistols, lots of pistols.

Helen turns and sees Abbey and Graham. She grins an evil grin.

HELEN

Abbey Bridley, we meet again.

GRAHAM

You've met?

ABBEY

Yes. It was a long, long time ago...

EXT. A PARK - BACK IN TIME

A young ABBEY is sitting in a park, when suddenly a dark shadow casts over her.

She looks up and sees HELEN.

HELEN

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Would you like some jelly tots?

ABBEY's eyes light up, but then he studies HELEN more closely, and looks uneasy.

ABBEY

I don't know, you look kind of forgetful.

HELEN

Me? No. I'm not forgetful. I'm the least forgetful zombie in the world.

ABBEY

Wait, you're a zombie?

ABBEY runs away, screaming.

INT. HAMSTEAD HEATH - PRESENT DAY

HELEN

You were a coward then, and you are a coward now.

GRAHAM

(To ABBEY) You ran away?

ABBEY

(To GRAHAM) I was a young child. What was I supposed to do?

ABBEY turns to HELEN.

ABBEY

I may have run away from you then, but I won't run away this time!

ABBEY runs away.

She turns back and shouts.

ABBEY

I mean, I am running away, but I'll be back - with pistols.

HELEN

I'm not scared of you.

ABBEY

You should be.

EXT. A BOOK SHOP - LATER THAT DAY

ABBEY and GRAHAM walk around searching for something.

ABBEY

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I feel sure I left my pistols

GRAHAM

Are you sure? It does seem like an odd place to keep deadly pistols.

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ABBEY

You know nothing Graham Trescothik.

GRAHAM

We've been searching for ages. I really don't think they're here.

Suddenly, HELEN appears, holding a pair of pistols.

HELEN

Looking for something?

GRAHAM

Crikey, Abbey, she's got your pistols.

ABBEY

Tell me something I don't already know!

GRAHAM

The earth's circumference at the equator is about 40,075 km.

ABBEY

I know that already!

GRAHAM

I am afraid of heights.

HELEN

(appalled) Dude!

While HELEN is looking at GRAHAM with disgust, ABBEY lunges forward and grabs her deadly pistols. He wields them, triumphantly.

ABBEY

Prepare to die, you forgetful cabbage!

HELEN

No please! All I did was destroy a bunch of swimmers!

JOSEPH enters, unseen by any of the others.

ABBEY

I cannot tolerate that kind of behaviour! Those swimmers were defenceless! Well now they have a defender - and that's me! Abbey Bridley defender of innocent swimmers.

HELEN

Don't hurt me! Please!

ABBEY

Give me one good reason

HELEN

Because Abbey, I am your mother.

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away!

ABBEY looks stunned for a few moments, but then collects herself.

ABBEY

No you're not!

HELEN

Ah well, it had to be worth a try.

HELEN tries to grab the pistols but ABBEY dodges out of the way.

ABBEY

Who's the mummy now? Huh? Huh?

Unexpectedly, HELEN slumps to the ground.

GRAHAM

Did she just faint?

ABBEY

I think so. Well that's disappointing. I was rather hoping for a more dramatic conclusion, involving my deadly pistols.

ABBEY crouches over HELEN's body.

GRAHAM

Be careful, Abbey. It could be a trick.

ABBEY

No, it's not a trick. It appears that... It would seem... Helen Wu is dead!

ABBEY

What?

ABBEY

Yes, it appears that I scared her to death.

GRAHAM claps his hands.

GRAHAM

So your pistols did save the day, after all.

JOSEPH steps forward.

JOSEPH

Is it true? Did you kill the forgetful zombie?

ABBEY

Joseph how long have you been?

JOSEPH puts his arm around ABBEY

JOSEPH

Long enough.

ABBEY

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Then you saw it for yourself. I killed Helen Wu.

JOSEPH

Then the swimmers are safe?

ABBEY

It does seem that way!

A crowd of vulnerable swimmers enter, looking revived.

JOSEPH

You are their hero.

The swimmers bow to ABBEY.

ABBEY

There is no need to bow to me. I seek no worship. The knowledge that Helen Wu will never destroy swimmers ever again, is enough for me.

JOSEPH

You are humble as well as brave!

One of the swimmers passes ABBEY a tinkling pendant

JOSEPH

I think they want you to have it, as a symbol of their gratitude.

ABBEY

I couldn't possibly.

Pause.

ABBEY

Well, if you insist.

ABBEY takes the pendant.

ABBEY

Thank you.

The swimmers bow their heads once more, and leave.

ABBEY turns to JOSEPH.

ABBEY

Does this mean you want me back?

JOSEPH

Oh, Abbey, of course I want you back!

ABBEY smiles for a few seconds, but then looks down.

ABBEY

well you can't have me.

JOSEPH

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WHAT?

ABBEY

You had no faith in me. You had to see my scare a zombie to death before you would believe in me. I don't want a lover like that.

JOSEPH

But...

ABBEY

Please leave. I want to spend time with the one person who stayed with me through thick and thin - my best friend, Graham.

GRAHAM grins.

JOSEPH

But...

GRAHAM

You heard the lady. Now be off with you. Skidaddle! Shoo!

JOSEPH

Abbey?

ABBEY

I'm sorry Joseph, but I think you should skidaddle.

JOSEPH leaves.

GRAHAM turns to ABBEY.

GRAHAM

Did you mean that? You know ... that I'm your best friend?

ABBEY

Of course you are!

The two walk off arm in arm.

Suddenly GRAHAM stops.

GRAHAM

When I said I am afraid of heights, you know I was just trying to distract the zombie don't you?

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